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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KINOSHITA et al.

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For: HEAT-SENSITIVE STENCIL
SHEET

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2001, please enter this Response and extend the Response date per the concurrent petition for extension of time. (Please be sure to enter the June 7, 2001 Change of Address.)

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1 (Amended) A heat-sensitive stencil sheet, which comprises a laminate of a thermoplastic resin film and a porous substrate mainly composed of synthetic fibers, said stencil sheet satisfying $0.150 \leq T-H$ wherein T means an arithmetic average value (g · cm/cm) of absolute values of KES bending torque in lengthwise direction of the stencil sheet at curvatures of +2.3 and -2.3 (cm²), H means a bending hysteresis (g · cm/cm), and T-H means a residual torque (g · cm/cm).